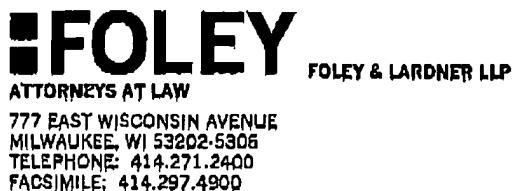


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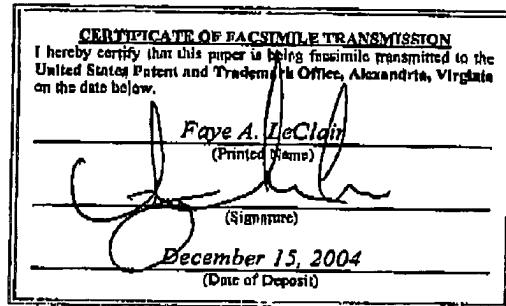
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SUBSTRATE AND PROCESSES  
THEREFOR

Appl. No.: 10/729,479

Filing Date: 12/5/2003

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Art Unit: 2818

**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL**

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- Small Entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and § 1.27 has been established by a previous assertion of Small Entity status.
- Assertion of Small Entity status is enclosed.
- The fee required for additional claims is calculated below:

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	EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:	\$0.00
[ ] Statutory Disclaimer Fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.20(d):	\$130.00	\$0.00
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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Office Action mailed on November 19, 2004, concerning the above-referenced patent application.

**Amendment to the Title** is presented as a new Title of the application (or to replace the previously submitted Title).

**Amendments to the Abstract** are presented as a new Abstract attached to this document for insertion after the claim pages of the application (or to replace the previously submitted Abstract).

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 3 of this document.

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**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this document.

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